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SUBJECT: ISLAMIC STATES CONTRIBUTIONS TO AFGHAN REFUGEES:
THE UNHCR ROLE

REF: (A) STATE 027979; (B) STATE 027924

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2. MINIMIZE CONSIDERED.

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3. WE ARE FOLLOWING WITH INTENSE INTEREST THE UNHCR'S

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EFFORT TO PULL TOGETHER AN INTERNATIONAL PROGRAM TO PROVIDE AFGHAN REFUGEES IN PAKISTAN WITH THE RELIEF AND SUBSISTENCE NEEDED. WE HAVE LIKEWISE BEEN STRUCK BY THE SUPPORT EXPRESSED BY THE STATES ATTENDING THE ISLAMIC CONFERENCE WHICH RECENTLY CONCLUDED IN ISLAMABAD FOR THOSE REFUGEES. IN REF (A), WE ASKED THE ADDRESSEES TO PROVIDE INFORMATION ON POSSIBLE ISLAMIC STATES CONTRIBUTIONS TO THAT RELIEF EFFORT. WE BELIEVE SPECIAL EFFORTS ARE IN ORDER TO SOLICIT SUCH CONTRIBUTIONS FROM THE ISLAMIC STATES WHICH PARTICIPATED IN THE ISLAMABAD MEETING.

4. ACCORDINGLY, YOU SHOULD TAKE THE FOLLOWING STEPS:
(A) FOR GENEVA: YOU SHOULD FOLLOW UP ON THE REQUEST MADE IN REF (A) TO URGE THE UNHCR TO ADDRESS SPECIAL MESSAGES TO POTENTIAL ISLAMIC CONTRIBUTIONS TO AFGHAN REFUGEE RELIEF. IN DOING THIS YOU SHOULD NOTE THAT TIES OF RELIGION, HUMANITARIAN CONCERN, AND REGIONAL SOLIDARITY SUGGEST THE PARTICULAR INTEREST OF THESE STATES IN SEEING THAT THE SUFFERING OF AFGHAN REFUGEES BE REDUCED AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE BY RAPID AND SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTIONS OF MATERIAL AID BY THESE STATES. THE PRESIDENT'S RECENT ANNOUNCEMENT OF USG AID, THE BRZEZINSKI-CHRISTOPHER MISSION, AND THE VISIT OF DEPUTY REFUGEE COORDINATOR LOY AND PARTY TESTIFY TO THE SUPPORT WE WILL BE OFFERING. YOU MAY ADVISE THE UNHCR THAT OUR EMBASSIES IN ISLAMIC STATES WILL BE INSTRUCTED TO ASSIST UNHCR REPRESENTATIVES IN THEIR APPROACHES TO THOSE GOVERNMENTS IN THOSE CASES WHERE IT IS FELT SUCH SUPPORT CAN BE USEFUL.

(B) TO GENEVA AND ISLAMABAD: WE WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR THOUGHTS ON ANY PARTICULAR NEEDS WHICH COULD BE MET BY ISLAMIC STATES SO THAT, IN OUR ONGOING DISCUSSIONS WITH
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UNHCR AND, POSSIBLY, THOSE STATES, THE USG SIDE OF THOSE TALKS CAN BECOME INCREASINGLY SPECIFIC. WE WOULD ALSO BE CURIOUS AS TO WHETHER EITHER ADDRESSEE BELIEVES THAT FORMER UNHCR SADRUDDIN KHAN WOULD BE USEFUL IN CONNECTION WITH FUND RAISING IN ISLAMIC STATES.

(C) FOR ISLAMABAD: GIVEN STRONG GOP ROLE PLAYED AT ISLAMIC CONFERENCE, RECOMMEND THAT EMBASSY CONSULT WITH GOP AT APPROPRIATE LEVEL, INCLUDING INVOLVING AMBASSADOR LOY IF THAT FITS HIS SCHEDULE, TO OBTAIN ITS VIEW AS TO

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BEST MEANS OF GETTING RESULTS FROM ISLAMIC CONFERENCE
RESOLUTION CALL FOR ASSISTANCE TO AFGHAN REFUGEES.
SPECIFIC ADVICE AS TO WHERE GOP BELIEVES UNHCR AND/OR US
FOLLOWUP COULD BE HELPFUL WOULD BE APPRECIATED WITH GENEVA
AS INFO ADDRESSEE.
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